ORDINANCE #2025-04

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 1, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 1-103 OF THE LA VERGNE MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of La Vergne, Tennessee that:

SECTION I.

Title 1, Chapter 1, Section 1-103 of the La Vergne Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1-103. - Public comment period.

A public comment period shall be conducted during meetings of the board of mayor and aldermen. Any person wishing to address the board shall make such request by either: 1.) placing their name, address and the topic of their comments on a sign-in sheet provided for that purpose no later than fifteen (15) minutes prior to the beginning of the meeting in question; or 2.) completing the online public comment form no later than 12:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting in question. Subject to applicable law and Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, each person permitted to speak during the public comment period may be allowed a maximum of three (3) minutes to speak, however the public comment period shall not last longer than thirty (30) minutes. To the extent that there are ascertainable opposing viewpoints among the persons registered to speak at the meeting in question, the Mayor may recognize those persons to speak in an order that allows opposing viewpoints to be heard to the extent doing so is practicable. The board of mayor and aldermen shall not be asked to answer any questions or asked to comment on the topic presented, but will take all comments presented under advisement.

SECTION II.

Each section, subsection, paragraph, sentence and clause of this ordinance is hereby declared to be separable and severable. The validity of any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence or clause shall not be effected by the invalidity of any other portion of this ordinance, and only any portion declared to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction shall be deleted herefrom.

SECTION III.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon publication after its final passage in a newspaper of general circulation, the public welfare requiring it.

LEGAL STATUS PROVISIONS

Approved by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen	= 2/4/25
A //	1st Reading
Jon U	3/4/25
Jason Cole, Mayor	2nd Reading
ATTEST:	
Bruce E. Richardson, City Recorder	
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